

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7637

Petition of Washington Electric Cooperative, Inc.,)
for a certificate of public good, pursuant to)
30 V.S.A. § 248(j), authorizing the reconstruction)
and expansion of the East Montpelier Substation in)
East Montpelier, Vermont)

Order entered: 5/5/2011

ORDER RE: APPROVAL OF GROUNDING-ROD LAYOUT AND LANDSCAPING PLANS

On September 20, 2010, the Public Service Board ("Board") issued an Order and a Certificate of Public Good ("CPG") approving, with conditions, the reconstruction and expansion of the East Montpelier Substation in East Montpelier, Vermont, proposed by Washington Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("WEC").

Condition 4 of the CPG stated:

Prior to the completion of construction, WEC shall submit a revised landscaping plan with the Board for approval.

Condition 7 of the CPG stated:

WEC shall work with the Department to determine the appropriate number of grounding rods before it begins construction and, prior to construction, shall submit the final grounding-rod layout to the Board for approval. If the two parties cannot come to an appropriate agreement, the parties shall present their disagreement to the Board for resolution.

On April 14, 2011, WEC filed a grounding-rod layout plan and a landscaping plan for the East Montpelier Substation site.

On April 25, 2011, the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department") filed a letter stating that WEC's proposed plans adequately addressed the Department's concerns. No other party filed comments.

We hereby approve WEC's April 14 plans for the grounding-rod layout and landscaping for the East Montpelier Substation site and conclude that the plans satisfy Conditions 4 and 7 of the CPG.

SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 5th day of May, 2011.

<u>s/James Volz</u>)	
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<u>s/David C. Coen</u>)	
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<u>s/John D. Burke</u>)	OF VERMONT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: May 5, 2011

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson
Clerk of the Board

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Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Clerk of the Board within thirty days. Appeal will not stay the effect of this Order, absent further Order by this Board or appropriate action by the Supreme Court of Vermont. Motions for reconsideration or stay, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Board within ten days of the date of this decision and order.